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1. IN ISRAEL EACH MINISTRY HAS A PROCUREMENT DIVISION WHICH DECIDES ON PURCHASES WITHIN ITS GENERAL BUDGET CEILING. EACH MINISTRY DOES ITS OWN EVALUATION, AND ITS DECISIONS ARE MADE INDEPENDENT OF OTHER MINISTRIES. PURCHASES ARE MADE EITHER FROM SUPPLIERS, USUALLY THROUGH LOCAL AGENTS, OR THROUGH THE ISRAEL SUPPLY MISSION (ISM). THE ISM CONTROLS SPECIFIC PURCHASES FROM U.S. AND CANADIAN SUPPLIERS AND IS LOCATED AT 850 3RD AVE., NY, NY 10022. THE ISM IS UNDER THE JOINT CONTROL OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND TOURISM. IT HANDLES CIVILIAN PURCHASES, MOSTLY FOOD FOR THE GOVERNMENT. DEFENSE PURCHASES ARE CARRIED OUT BY A UNIT OF THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE LOCATED AT THE SAME ADDRESS.

2. GENERAL PROCUREMENT, INCLUDING OFFICE SUPPLIES (MOSTLY LOCAL PURCHASES) FOR THE VARIOUS MINISTRIES ARE HANDLED BY THE CENTRAL PROCUREMENT OFFICE LOCATED IN THE OFFICE OF THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL, MINISTRY OF FINANCE, HAKIRYA, JERUSALEM. PROCUREMENT IS BASED ON CENTRAL TENDERS ISSUED ONCE OR TWICE A YEAR. THIS OFFICE ADVISES MINISTRIES ON SUPPLIERS WHO HAVE

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WON TENDERS AND ON PRICES.

3. MINISTRIES WHICH ARE POTENTIAL BUYERS ARE LISTED BELOW BY ORDER OF IMPORTANCE:

A) MINISTRY OF DEFENSE, MAIN OFFICE, REHOV
ALEF, HAKIRYA, TEL AVIV. ZVI ALON, DIRECTOR OF PROCUREMENT

AND PRODUCTION.

B) MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND TOURISM, PALACE
BUILDING, P.O.B. 299, JERUSALEM. Y. LAOR, HEAD, IMPORT DIVISION.

C) MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, 1, IBN GVIROL ST., JERUSALEM.
S. ESHKOLY, DIRECTOR OF PROCUREMENT.

D) MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS. 172 HERZL ST., TEL AVIV. J.
GIL, DIRECTOR, PURCHASING AND SUPPLY DIVISION (TELECOMMUNICA-
TION EQUIPMENT).

E) MINISTRY OF HEALTH, 27 PROFESSOR SCHOR ST., TEL AVIV. E.
SHAKI, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR SUPPLIES.

F) MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, 8 DALET ST., HAKIRYA, TEL AVIV.
S. ZUR, DIRECTOR OF STORES, PROPERTIES AND BUILDINGS.

G) MINISTRY OF LABOR AND SOCIAL BETTERMENT, PROCUREMENT
DIVISION, 2 KAPLAN ST., HAKIRYA, JERUSALEM.

4. SUBORDINATE UNITS UNDER THE DIRECT CONTROL OF THE GOI:

A) POSTAL SERVICES, 14 WISSOTZKI ST., TEL AVIV. R. SHREIBER,
PROCUREMENT OFFICER. PURCHASES ARE MADE THROUGH MINISTRY OF
COMMUNICATIONS UNDER THE BUDGET ESTABLISHED BY MINISTRY OF
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FINANCE, EITHER BY TENDERS OR THROUGH ISRAEL SUPPLY MISSION,
N.Y. SMALLER PROCUREMENT HANDLED INDEPENDENTLY WITH SUPPLIERS.

B) TELEPHONE SERVICES - SAME AS POSTAL SERVICES.

C) ISRAEL POLICE, 4 HAMATZ ST., JAFFA. COLONEL MOSHE GREENPETER,
HEAD, PURCHASING DEPARTMENT. PART OF AND UNDER DIRECT CONTROL OF
MINISTRY OF INTERIOR, JERUSALEM. CONDUCTS ITS OWN PURCHASING
DIRECTLY FROM SUPPLIERS, WITHIN BUDGET ESTABLISHED BY THE
MINISTRY OF FINANCE. CERTAIN PURCHASES MUST HAVE PRIOR APPROVAL
OF MINISTRY OF INTERIOR.

D) ISRAEL METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE, P.O.B. 25, BET DAGAN 5200.
YEHUDA L. TAKATLY, DIRECTOR. PURCHASING DECISION IS TAKEN IN
CONJUNCTION WITH MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND SUBJECT TO THE BUDGET
ALLOCATION OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE. HANDLES PURCHASES
DIRECTLY WITH SUPPLIERS OR BY TENDER.

E) CIVIL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, P.O.B. 8, BEN
GURION AIRPORT. NAFTALI BEN YEHUDA, ACTING ADMINISTRATOR.
PART OF MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT. PURCHASING DECISION WITH
RESPECT TO AIRCRAFT AND AVIONICS IS HANDLED INDEPENDENTLY BY

THE ADMINISTRATION, UNDER THE DIRECT INFLUENCE OF MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL OF MINISTRY OF FINANCE. MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT CONTROLS THE OVERALL POLICY OF THE CIVIL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION. PURCHASES ARE MADE DIRECTLY FROM SUPPLIERS OR THROUGH THEIR LOCAL AGENTS.

E) ISRAEL RAILWAYS, P.O.B. 44, PLUMER SQUARE, HAIFA. PERETZ TRICHTER, DIRECTOR OF SUPPLY AND STORES DEPARTMENT. PURCHASING DECISIONS GO THROUGH MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT. PROCUREMENT HANDLED DIRECTLY FROM SUPPLIERS OR THROUGH ISRAEL SUPPLY MISSION SUBJECT TO APPROVED BUDGET FROM MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

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F) PUBLIC WORKS DEPT., HEAD OFFICE, 3 LINCOLN ST., TEL AVIV, UNDER DIRECT CONTROL OF MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING. CONDUCTS PURCHASES DIRECTLY WITH SUPPLIERS OR BY TENDERS UNDER BUDGET APPROVED BY THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

5. INDEPENDENT EXECUTIVE AGENCIES WHICH ARE PART OF THE GOI AND OPERATE AUTONOMOUSLY ON PROCUREMENT MATTERS BUT RESPONSIBLE TO THEIR RESPECTIVE MINISTRIES:

A) ISRAEL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, BEN GURION AIRPORT, LOD. DAVID BAR-YEHUDA, AIRPORT PURCHASING MANAGER. INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT ENTITY WITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATED BY MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT. PURCHASING DECISION MADE INDEPENDENTLY BY AIRPORT AUTHORITY, PARTLY FROM AIRPORT AUTHORITIES' REVENUE, AND PARTLY UNDER BUDGET APPROVED BY MINISTRY OF FINANCE. PURCHASES MADE DIRECTLY FROM SUPPLIERS OR THROUGH ISRAEL SUPPLY MISSION, N.Y.

B) ISRAEL PORT AUTHORITY, P.O.B. 20121, TEL AVIV. A. TIMOR, PROCUREMENT OFFICER. INDEPENDENT EXECUTIVE AGENCY OF NATIONAL GOVERNMENT. FINANCED PARTLY BY OWN OPERATING REVENUE AND PARTLY

FROM GOI BUDGET. PROCUREMENT IS MADE INDEPENDENTLY EXCEPT FOR SIGNIFICANT PURCHASES WHICH ARE MADE IN CONSULTATION WITH MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT. PURCHASES MADE DIRECTLY FROM SUPPLIERS OR THROUGH THEIR LOCAL AGENTS. ON RARE OCCASIONS BY INTERNATIONAL TENDER.

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C) ISRAEL BROADCASTING AUTHORITY, P.O.B. 7139, ROMEMA, JERUSALEM. K. LIBERMAN, MANAGER, PURCHASING DEPT. INDEPENDENT EXECUTIVE AGENCY OF GOI. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION HAS OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROGRAM CONTENTS. FINANCED BY LICENSE REVENUE AND GOVERNMENT BUDGET. DECISION FOR LARGE PURCHASES, SUCH AS COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS, MUST BE APPROVED BY MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT. SMALLER PURCHASES ARE DETERMINED INDEPENDENTLY BY AUTHORITY.

6. QUASI-PUBLIC ENTITIES WHERE GOI EXERCISES CERTAIN INFLUENCE ON PROCUREMENT POLICY:

A) ISRAEL ELECTRIC CORP., P.O.B. 8810, REHOV YAFFO 170, HAIFA. D. SHAFIR, SECRETARY, SUPPLIES DIVISION. MAJORITY GOVERNMENT-OWNED PUBLIC COMPANY. ALL PURCHASES ARE MADE INDEPENDENTLY BY THE COMPANY IN CONSULTATION WITH MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND TOURISM, SUBJECT TO BUDGET ALLOCATION OF MINISTRY OF FINANCE. PURCHASES UP TO \$250,000 ARE AWARDED BY A PURCHASING COMMITTEE OF THE COMPANY. PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$250,000 MUST BE APPROVED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS, CHAIRED BY GOI OFFICIAL. PURCHASES ARE MADE EITHER DIRECTLY FROM SUPPLIERS OR THROUGH INTERNATIONAL TENDER.

B) HAIFA OIL REFINERIES, P.O.B. 4, HAIFA. E. SEIDEN, HEAD, PURCHASING DIVISION. MAJORITY GOVERNMENT-OWNED COMPANY. PROCUREMENT HANDLED EITHER DIRECTLY FROM SUPPLIERS OR THROUGH ANGLO-AFRICAN SHIPPING COMPANY, 16 EAST, 34TH STREET, NY, NY 10016. (FORWARDING AND CLEARING AGENTS). PURCHASING DECISION MADE BY COMPANY.

C) ISRAEL SHIPYARDS LTD., P.O.B. 1282, HAIFA. M. K. HOENIG, MANAGER, SUPPLY DIVISION. GOVERNMENT-OWNED COMPANY WITH BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMPRISED OF GOI OFFICIALS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRIVATE INDUSTRIES. COMPANY HAS ITS OWN SUPPLY DIVISION. PURCHASING DECISION MADE SOLELY BY COMPANY WITH NO INTERFERENCE FROM GOI WHICH ONLY CONTROLS GENERAL POLICY OF COMPANY. PROCUREMENT FUNDED OUT OF INTERNAL OPERATING REVENUE. MOST

PROCUREMENT HANDLED DIRECTLY WITH SUPPLIERS.

D) EL AL ISRAEL AIRLINES IS ISRAEL'S INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE WITH THE GOI AS A MAJOR SHAREHOLDER. ALL PROCUREMENT MATTERS ARE HANDLED BY EL AL HEADQUARTERS AT 850 3RD AVE., NY, NY. PURCHASING DECISION IS TAKEN INDEPENDENTLY BY EL AL HEAD OFFICE, EXCEPT FOR LARGE PURCHASES WHICH REQUIRE APPROVAL OF MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT. MOST PROCUREMENTS ARE FINANCED BY EL AL'S INTERNAL REVENUE.

E) MEKOROT WATER CO. LTD., P.O.B. 20128, 9 LINCOLN ST., TEL AVIV. D. PAPIERMEISTER, MANAGER, IMPORT DIVISION. PUBLIC COMPANY OWNED BY GOI, JEWISH AGENCY AND HISTADRUT, EACH HOLDING ONE THIRD INTEREST. ENGAGED IN EXPLORATION, DRILLING AND MANAGEMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AND WATER WORKS FOR DOMESTIC AND IRRIGATION PURPOSES. MOST FUNDS ARE PROVIDED BY GOI. PURCHASES ARE HANDLED DIRECTLY FROM SUPPLIERS OR THROUGH LOCAL AGENTS, OR BY INTERNATIONAL TENDERS. MEKOROT MAKES ITS OWN PURCHASING DECISION SUBJECT TO BUDGET ALLOCATION FROM MINISTRY OF FINANCE. LEWIS

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